First Class Magistrate's Court.

273. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

1. whether there is any truth in the rumour that the Government is intending to make the temporary First Class Magistrate's Court permanent;
2. if so, what are the reasons for making it permanent;
3. the number of First Class cases tried in each of the last five years by
   (a) the District Magistrate, and
   (b) by the 2nd Class Magistrates invested with first class powers;
4. the number of Magistrates who are now invested with first class powers;
5. the pay that they propose to give to the First Class Magistrate in case they decide upon making it permanent;
6. the average yearly increase in expenditure to the State by the creation of this new court;
7. whether they have found any defect in the system of investing Second Class Magistrates with first class powers;
8. where they propose to locate that in the State;
9. the reasons for abolishing the First Class Magistrate's Court which was in existence in the State some years back?

Mr. T. S. Sesha Ayyar.—1. No definite idea at present.
2. Does not arise in view of the answer to (1).
3. Statements are appended (*Appendix XXII.*)
4. Three.
5 and 6. Do not arise.
7. No.
8. Does not arise.
9. Want of sufficient work for a full-time First Class Magistrate.

Wrong and disproportionate mating in marriage.

274. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state what they have been doing to prevent the wrong and disproportionate mating in marriage and what they intend to do in the matter in future?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—Government have been doing nothing in the matter, and do not consider it necessary to do anything in future.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Am I to understand that the Government do not pay any heed to Eugenic School of Thought?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—I do not know whether the answer justifies that question.

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Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I want a ruling from the Chair,

Deputy President.—I do not know whether the Government understands the Engenic School of Thought.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—A Government contituted like ourselves do not allow the Eugenic School of Thought.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Do you pay any heed to it?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—It is only when we belong to it that we pay heed. It is not the function of the Government now to heed it.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Are not the Government prepared to pay any heed to it?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No.

Deaf and blind children of school-going age.

275. Mr. P. I. Varugis.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) how many deaf and blind children of school-going age there are in the State;

(2) whether the Government intend to make some provision for their education?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) Deaf and mute 155 children.
Blind 153 ,,

(2) A scheme for the education of the defective children is under preparation. Two deaf pupils studying in the school for the deaf at Palamcottah are also being given a monthly stipend of Rs. 6 each tenable for 3 years.

Prisoners marched to courts unprotected from the sun.

276. Mr. P. I. Varugis.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether it is a fact that prisoners under remand are marched to the courts unprotected from the sun when they have to appear for their cases;

(2) whether Government have any objection to provide a suitable conveyance for prisoners under remand to and from the court?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(1) Yes.

(2) Government do not think that any conveyance is necessary. Cadjan umbrellas will be provided.

Attitude of Government.

277. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the average annual number of apologetic attitude they take of things as they exist;

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